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A 21st Century Transportation System

A Transportation System to Support Economic Growth

Minnesotans need a transportation infrastructure system that promotes a strong economy and moves people and goods efficiently. That is why Governor Dayton's budget invests in measures to strengthen our infrastructure and make Minnesota a more attractive place to live and work. The Governor's budget makes key investments to deliver a safe, efficient and sustainable multi-modal transportation system.

» **\$20 Million for the Transportation Economic Development (TED) Program.** The Governor's budget provides \$20 million in ongoing funding for the TED initiative, a collaborative program between MnDOT, the Department of Employment and Economic Development and the Public Facilities Authority.

- **Creating Jobs.** The Governor's investment will be focused on road and bridge improvements that promote economic development. This measure will create thousands of jobs and leverage \$35 million in local and private investment.
- **Focused on Economic Competitiveness.** This program requires a local or private sector match and accelerates transportation projects in order to revitalize the Minnesota economy and improve economic competitiveness.

» **\$338 Million for Road Construction.** The Governor's budget increases state road construction appropriations by \$338 million of additional federal funds over the biennium.

- **Better Roads.** The Governor's budget delivers: 1) improved pavement quality; 2) Americans with Disability Act accommodations; 3) infrastructure needs such as drainage structures; and 4) investments in transportation corridors.
- **More Federal Funding.** These additional investments are funded by revenue from the Trunk Highway fund and federal revenue from the new federal authorization law for transportation.

» **\$10 Million for MnDOT.** The Governor's budget provides a \$5 million annual increase for MnDOT operations and maintenance activities from the Trunk Highway Fund.

- **Covering the Cost of Inflation.** MnDOT has experienced inflation in commodities like salt, sand and diesel fuel. This initiative will cover the increased costs to the department.
- **State Highway Network.** The Governor's investment will help the state's highway network continue to operate safely and effectively.